

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 16

Relating to Charlie Kirk Day.

Whereas, Charlie Kirk, born on October 14, 1993, and tragically martyred by assassination on September 10, 2025, was the preeminent voice of a generation, inspiring millions of young Americans to engage in civic discourse, champion conservative principles, and reclaim the foundational values of liberty, limited government, and individual responsibility; and

Whereas, the founder and CEO of Turning Point USA, Kirk led a transformative movement across college campuses and beyond, empowering students to defend free markets, secure borders, Christian values, and traditional family structures against ideological overreach; and

Whereas, Kirk stood as a modern civil rights champion, fearlessly advocating for equal opportunity under the law, colorblind meritocracy, and the protection of constitutional rights for all citizens, regardless of race, creed, or background, in an era of divisive identity politics; and

Whereas, a vocal and unapologetic Christian, Kirk embodied the Christian heritage that undergirds American exceptionalism, publicly proclaiming his faith as a guiding force in the pursuit of justice, moral clarity, and the defense of the unborn; and

Whereas, through relentless persecution, cancellation attempts, smears, and ultimately his assassination, Kirk became a martyr for truth and faith, enduring personal and professional attacks with unwavering resolve to expose corruption, challenge elite narratives, and uphold objective reality in the face of censorship and cultural decay; and

Whereas, as a tireless free speech advocate, Kirk fought against Big Tech suppression, university indoctrination, and government overreach, ensuring that dissenting voices, especially those of the next generation, could flourish in the public square, thereby preserving the First Amendment as the bedrock of a free society:

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the members of the Missouri Senate, One Hundred Third General Assembly, Second Regular Session, the House of Representatives concurring therein, hereby designate October 14th of each year as "Charlie Kirk" Day in Missouri to honor his extraordinary contributions to American discourse, faith, and freedom, and to commemorate his ultimate sacrifice for these principles; and

Be it further resolved that the General Assembly encourages Missourians to reflect on the principles Kirk championed, participate in educational events promoting civic engagement, and honor his legacy as a martyr for truth and liberty and to observe Charlie Kirk Day with appropriate ceremonies, programs, and activities that recognize his role as a beacon of hope and heroism for future generations; and

Be It Further Resolved that this resolution be sent to the Governor for his approval or rejection pursuant to the Missouri Constitution.